

Training Affiliation Agreements (TAAs)

The USAF School of Aerospace Medicine's Aerospace Medicine (AM) program allows students to engage in rotations and research projects, which is a key advantage for AM students at USAFSAM. The USAFSAM TAA program is administered by Col Kelly N. West, USAFSAM/ED, Director of Medical Education, Office of the Dean.

The mission of the Office of the Dean is to equip current and future generations of Aerospace Medicine clinicians, consultants, educators, managers, and leaders with the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and abilities needed to deliver expert healthcare within complex local, international, and expeditionary environments to maximize operational health capabilities and optimize the health, human performance, and well-being of individuals and diverse military communities.

As an International Center of Excellence for Aerospace Medicine education, USAFSAM/ED promotes an inspired and responsive learning environment, fosters interdisciplinary learning and collaboration, and prepares graduates to perform important mission responsibilities anytime, anywhere, and in the most demanding circumstances.

In support of its mission and vision, USAFSAM has entered into a series of Training Affiliation Agreements (TAAs) with military and private medical treatment facilities so that USAFSAM's graduate medical education (GME) trainees, and in some cases its faculty, may access these facilities and patients for training and clinical experience unique to those facilities. This includes GME trainees in USAFSAM's general family medicine, hyperbaric medicine, aerospace medicine, occupational medicine, and general preventive medicine residencies as well as fellows in the Undersea and Hyperbaric Medicine (UHM) Fellowship.

In the Dayton area, USAFSAM has executed TAAs with Dayton Children's Hospital, Wright State University's Boonshoft School of Medicine, the Clark County Combined Health District, and MedWork Occupational Health Care of Dayton. Nationally, agreements are secured with the 60th Medical Group at Travis AFB CA; the 72nd Medical Group at Tinker AFB TX; the 59th Medical Wing at Lackland AFB TX; the 75th Medical Group at Hill AFB UT; ExxonMobil Corporation Medicine and Occupational Health Division, Baytown, TX; the Federal Aviation Administration Civil Aerospace Medical Institute, to name a few.